

# Stefan Schwietzke

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## Education (Degree Programs)

- 8/09 - 12/13 *Doctorate, **Carnegie Mellon University**, Pittsburgh, PA, USA* Degree: Ph.D., Engineering and Public Policy
- Topics: Verification of life cycle greenhouse gas estimates of renewable and fossil energy systems using climate modeling and global-scale atmospheric methane measurements
  - Completed coursework includes: decision analysis (e.g., benefit-cost-analysis, linear optimization, Monte-Carlo simulation), climate change economics
  - Final grade (QPA): 3.89 (scale to 4.0)
- 9/02 - 12/08 *Undergraduate and post-graduate education, **Universität Stuttgart**, Germany*
- Degrees: Dipl.-Ing. Technology Management (4 semesters; M.S. equivalent), Pre-diploma Mechanical Engineering (4 semesters; B.S. equivalent)
  - Thesis: "Impact of corn stover harvest for bio-energy on soil organic carbon sequestration" (1 semester)
  - Grade (Final / Thesis): 1.8 / 1.3 (scale from 1.0 (best) to 4.0)

## Education (Other)

- 7/10 **Vermont Law School**, South Royalton, VT, USA
- Coursework: "Natural Resource and Damage Assessment and Restoration"
- 10/04 - 4/05 **Université de La Réunion**, St.-Denis, France (DOM)
- Economics and French with Fellowship of the Baden-Württemberg State Foundation, Germany

## Professional Experience

- 5/15 – current *Research Scientist, **Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences (CIRES) / University of Colorado, National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) / Global Monitoring Division (GMD)**, Boulder, CO, USA*
- Atmospheric modeling of the global methane cycle
  - Aircraft measurements and quantification of fugitive hydrocarbon emissions from fossil fuels
  - Outreach to [journalists](#) and policy makers (e.g., *U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*)
  - Journal reviewer: *Environ. Sci. & Technol., Waste Management*

- 5/14 – 4/15 *Postdoctoral Research Associate, NOAA/GMD, Boulder, CO, USA*  
 – See above
- 8/09 - 12/13 *Research Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University, Center for Climate and Energy Decision Making, Pittsburgh, PA, USA*
- 2/09 - 6/09 *Intern Automotive Strategy, PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Stuttgart, Germany*  
 – Analyzed how shifts in national CO<sub>2</sub> emissions targets, vehicle technologies, car markets, and the global economic crisis questioned traditional business models in the automotive industry
- 8/07 - 12/08 *Research Assistant, Purdue University, Laboratory of Renewable Resources Engineering, West Lafayette, IN, USA*  
 – Assistant to project director for a [study](#) of the *International Energy Agency (IEA)* regarding research gaps of 2nd generation transportation biofuels  
 – CO<sub>2</sub> emissions analysis of biofuels using corn stover residue

### **Honors and Awards**

- 5/15 - 4/16 Innovative Research Proposal grant, **Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences (CIRES)**
- 6/14 Editors Choice Award for publication “Global bottom-up fossil fuel fugitive methane and ethane emissions inventory for atmospheric modeling”, **American Chemical Society (ACS)**
- 5/14 – 4/15 Postdoctoral Research Associate Fellowship, **National Research Council (NRC)**
- 12/12 Finalist **NASA**-sponsored *FameLab* competition for science communication (regional heat)
- 4/12 - 3/13 Sustainability Fellowship, **ERM Foundation North-America**
- 2/11 Herbert L. Toor Award for outstanding research paper submitted in the Ph.D. qualifying exam, **Carnegie Mellon University**
- 8/09 - 9/13 Research Assistant Fellowship, **Carnegie Mellon University**
- 8/07 - 12/08 Research Assistant Fellowship, **Purdue University**
- 10/04 - 4/05 Study-abroad fellowship, **Baden-Württemberg State Foundation**

## **Publications**

- Stefan Schwietzke, Griffin, W. M., Matthews, H. S., Bruhwiler, L. M. P. (2014). Global natural gas fugitive emissions rates constrained by atmospheric methane and ethane. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 48 (14), 7714–7722.  
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<http://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/sc500163h>
- Stefan Schwietzke (2013) Atmospheric Impacts of Biofuel and Natural Gas Life Cycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Policy Implications. Ph.D. dissertation, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.  
<http://repository.cmu.edu/dissertations/299>
- Stefan Schwietzke, Griffin, W. M., Matthews, H. S. (2011) Relevance of emissions timing in biofuel greenhouse gases and climate impacts. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 45 (19), 8197–8203. <http://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/es2016236>
- Stefan Schwietzke, Kim, Y. Ki, Ximenes, E. et al. (2009) Ethanol Production from Maize, p. 347-364, Chapter 23 (Molecular Genetic Approaches to Maize Improvement). In *Biotechnology in Agriculture and Forestry, Vol. 63, Springer-Verlag, Berlin*.
- Stefan Schwietzke, Ladisch, M., et al. (2008) Gaps in the Research of 2nd Generation Transportation Biofuels, *International Energy Agency, Bioenergy: T41(2): 2008:01*. <http://www.ieabioenergy.com/LibItem.aspx?id=5955>
- Stefan Schwietzke (2008) Impact of corn stover harvest for bio-energy on soil organic carbon sequestration. Diplomarbeit, Universität Stuttgart